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d. The previous budget rules for communities will be changed considerably to streamline the planning and accounting of income and expenditures of communities.

e. Funds required by the central GDR Government for vehicle maintenance, small investments, and general maintenance will be listed in the budget of the respective GDR Ministry or State Secretariat.

f. The suspense dates for preparation of the draft 1953 State Budget are as follows:

- (1) Communities have to submit their plans to the Kreise by 15 October 1952.
- (2) Kreise complete drafting of their plans by 15 October 1952 and submit them to the District on 16 October 1952.
- (3) Between 15 October and 31 October 1952, the Kreise check the plans of the communities. On 1 November 1952, each Kreis will submit all plans of its communities to the respective District.
- (4) Each District prepares its plan by 15 October 1952 and submits it to the GDR Ministry for Finance on 16 October 1952. From 16 October to 31 October 1952, each District checks the plans of its Kreise which will be turned over to the Ministry for Finance on 1 November 1952.
- (5) From 1 November to 15 November 1952, each District will check the plans of its communities, which will be turned over to the GDR Ministry for Finance on 16 November 1952.
- (6) The GDR Ministries and State Secretariats prepare their drafts by 15 October 1952 and turn them over to the Ministry for Finance by that date.

g. 1953 expenditures of the state administration apparatus may not exceed 90% of the 1952 expenditures. No funds will be allocated for 1953 for the procurement of office furniture or office machines.

h. The 1953 State Budget will be broken down as follows:

- (1) Section 1 (Aufgabenbereich 1): Administration

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a. Principal tasks of the 1953 State Budget:

- (1) Allocation of investment funds for increase of the heavy machine construction industry, mining industry, metallurgy, and energy production.
- (2) Development of farm production cooperatives (Landwirtschaftliche Produktionsgenossenschaften).
- (3) Increase of the wages of highly qualified workers in the most important branches of industry.
- (4) Financing of the National Armed Forces.

b. The following measures must be taken to obtain the necessary funds for the above targets:

- (1) Complete exploitation of all possibilities and method for utilization of all sources of income.
- (2) Rigid economy concerning expenditures.
- (3) Decrease of administrative expenditures in state administration and institutions as well as in factories and administrations of nationalized factories as compared to 1952.
- (4) Any increases in expenditures are permitted only if they serve directly the targets of the 1953 Economic Plan.
- (5) All employees of the state apparatus have the duty to strengthen and develop the People's Democracy basis of the GDR (die volksdemokratischen Grundlagen der DDR zu festigen und zu entwickeln).

c. The draft 1953 State Budget must be based on the control figures (Kontrollziffern) of the draft 1953 Economic Plan and the norms of the Form Catalog for the State Budget.

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- (a) Parliamentary Bodies
 - (b) President of the GDR
 - (c) Administration Management (Minister President, Deputies, Government Chancellery, etc.)
 - (d) State Administration, Interior
 - (e) State Security, State Control, and People's Police
 - (f) Foreign Affairs
 - (g) Justice
 - (h) Public Education
 - (i) Labor, Social Welfare, Vocational Training, and Public Health
 - (j) Physical Culture and Sport
 - (k) Finance
 - (l) Planning, Procurement, and Statistics
 - (m) Agriculture and Forestry
 - (n) Industry
 - (o) Reconstruction
 - (p) Traffic
 - (q) Post
 - (r) Trade and Supply
 - (s) Foreign and German Trade
 - (t) Other administrative agencies
- (2) Aufgabenbereich 2: Nationalized Economy

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- (3) Aufgabenbereich 3: Public Education, Science, and Culture
- (4) Aufgabenbereich 4: Traffic, Trade, and other economic institutions
- (5) Aufgabenbereich 5: Agriculture
- (6) Aufgabenbereich 6: Labor and Social Welfare
- (7) Aufgabenbereich 7: Public Health
- (8) Aufgabenbereich 8: Furthering of Democratic Order, Youth, and Sport (Foerderung der demokratischen Ordnung, Jugend und Sport)
- (9) Aufgabenbereich 9: Finance

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